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The Problems Before Congress Senator Names Chief Concerns

TAX revision, changes in the Senate rules, and adherence by this country to the World Court are the principal things which the next Congress must undertake, Senator Willis of Ohio declared recently in Washington.

"At the regular session of Congress beginning next December three major problems will press for solution," said Senator Willis.

"First, tax reduction. Lightening of the tax burdens of the people is made possible by the satisfactory returns from the tax laws now in force, and by the substantial economies wrought by the administration of President Coolidge. Congress actively co-operated with the President and the budget commissioner in bringing about these economies; indeed, in some cases Congress reduced appropriations even below the budget estimates.

"A Million a Day Cut Away" "The 100,000,000 surplus this year and the estimated surplus next year of \$300,000,000 make certain important tax reduction. A million a day of tax cut away" will be the slogan of this Congress.

"The financial legislation of this Congress should be limited to tax revision and tax reform.

"General revision of the tariff is not desirable and will not be undertaken. Tariff tinkering would cloud the industrial skies with an uncertainty and cause more industrial ills than it would cure. The present law is working well. Any change in rates vitally necessary can be made through executive action under the elastic clause. Give the President and American business a chance.

"The second major problem is such revision of the Senate rules as will facilitate public business, yet preserve the right of legitimate debate. Under the present cloture rule there can be ninety-six hours of debate after the rule of cloture is applied; in other words, after debate is 'closed.' Under rule 22 the question could still be debated two solid weeks, eight hours every day, or four days and nights with the Senate continuously in session.

"A rule requiring debate to be confined to the subject before the Senate would aid very materially in correcting, but it would not cure, the situation I have described. Vice-President Dawes is not, as I understand him, proposing any specific change in Senate rules, but he is calling the attention of the country to the need for revision to eliminate filibusters and prevent abuse of power by any individual. In so doing Gen. Dawes is, in my judgment, rendering an important public service which the country approves.

"A third problem, solution of which must be taken up early in December and pressed for final decision, is that of the World Court. The Republican party must keep its solemn pledge. In numerous national platforms the Republican party has endorsed an international court of justice. With the vision which only the rapt and parting soul may know, President Harding pleaded for American entrance into the World Court; Secretary Hughes argued for it; President Coolidge urged it; the Republican national convention at Cleveland endorsed it, and the people at the polls approved it. The time has come for the Republican party to redeem its pledges to the people."

Why Not a Dawes Plan For U. S.?

Wishing Will Get No Debts Paid

THE man who was America's unofficial observer on the reparations commission advocates that the United States apply the Dawes plan, put into operation by the commission, to itself. He declares that the political leaders have been reluctant to advise "the American voter to take the medicine they prescribe for France."

Said Boyden in a recent address: "The Dawes report is a report which the American government and all of us Americans unofficially have urged the Allies to accept. That plan was partly formulated by Americans. It bears the name of an American. It was regarded as a political asset in the last campaign by one of the great parties, and it is now to be administered largely by Americans. We Americans have done everything that we could for the Dawes plan except to accept it ourselves. But the Dawes plan is just as well fitted for our own use as for the allies. We delude ourselves when we fail to see this.

"If wishes could get reparations from Germany, the reparation bill would have been paid long ago; but the French wish, expressed insistently, officially and unofficially, and even the attempt to realize the wish by force, were powerless in the face of economic principles and practical facts. This is why the Dawes plan finally was allowed to substitute economic principles for the wishes which up to that time had dominated political action.

"The United States has in the same way confined itself to wishing. Its political leaders have confined themselves to expressing this wish; without explaining to the public the economic principles and practical facts which make the wish impossible of realization. They have kindly explained these principles and facts to the French, and in the most friendly way have urged France to be sensible and to yield to the inevitable, and to adopt the Dawes plan; but they have been reluctant to advise the American voters to take the medicine they prescribe for France."

JUSTICE COURT

Charged by Mrs. N. H. Johnson with defrauding an innkeeper, Hadley Johnson was arrested last Friday. The customary "frisking" disclosed a bottle partly filled with hooch, and Johnson was charged by Officer Taber with a violation of the Wright Act. Johnson pleaded guilty to both charges, and paid a fine of \$25 on the first charge and \$200 on the second.

The charge against R. L. Brown was dismissed at the request of the complainant, W. L. Sprague. Brown was under \$500 cash bond, charged with obtaining laborers under false pretenses. Sprague got his wages—that's all he wanted—and now says everybody's happy.

When arraigned before Judge Hunter Monday, Phil Farnsworth pleaded guilty to the charge of defrauding an innkeeper, as preferred by Mrs. Clara Carter, and

paid a fine of \$10.

N. C. Nelson of Harbor City was arrested July 2 by Officer Taber, charged by Officer Charles B. Wood of San Pedro with driving while intoxicated, and by the arresting officer with a violation of the Wright Act. The felony charge was withdrawn by Wood. Nelson pleaded guilty to the second charge, and was sentenced to \$100 or 400 days. A commitment was issued.

Mrs. J. C. Crawford and children, of Bakersfield, are the guests for three weeks of Mrs. Crawford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lynden Lowe, of Walnut Street.

M. P. Richey, Miss Merle Richey and Marshall Richey, of Chestnut Street, were weekend visitors at Cedarhurst Park.

Guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnston of Weston Street were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford of Bakersfield, Mr. and Mrs. Lynden Lowe, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cobb and family.

Would Cut Taxes \$750,000,000

Utah Senator King's Formula

A BILL intended to lop \$750,000,000 from federal taxes is being prepared by Senator King of Utah, member of the Couzens special committee of the senate, and will be introduced as soon as the next session of Congress opens. The measure will be in the nature of an amendment to the expected house tax bill in order to comply with the constitutional requirement that revenue bills must originate in the House.

Senator King, partly due to the evidence he has heard presented to the Couzens committee in the investigation of tax methods of the bureau of internal revenue, is convinced that such cuts are possible if accompanied by more strict administration of the tax laws and revision of administrative provisions and by economy on the part of the government.

Discusses Proposal

Wiping out of miscellaneous taxes, lowering of income taxes, including surtaxes, and some reduction of corporation taxes, are features of Senator King's program.

"I would remove all excise taxes and miscellaneous taxes," said Senator King, including admission taxes, stamp taxes, automobile taxes, and all taxes which are annoying to business and to the public. I propose reduction of income taxes, including the super-taxes. I believe the corporation tax can be cut to 10 per cent."

King would lower the surtaxes as much or more than proposed by Secretary Mellon. He also would reduce income taxes generally.

An important feature of Senator King's program is a stringent tightening up of the administrative features of the law as to corporation taxes. He would do away with allowance for depreciation and with the present provisions of the law as to capital gain and loss.

"The disclosures before the Couzens committee and other developments show the government has lost \$400,000,000 to \$500,000,000 in taxes," said Senator King, "through wrong and unjustifiable allowance for depreciation, amortization and the like to corporations. In view of the disclosures I shall urge that no allowance be made for depreciation."

He said he would also urge that the allowance for reduction on account of interest on borrowed capital be done away with.

The total government revenue, in Senator King's opinion, ought not exceed \$3,000,000,000.

"When it is remembered that a billion dollars were sufficient to run the government for a year before the war," said Senator King, "it would seem that we ought to get along now with \$3,000,000,000."

He believes army and navy expenditures can be much reduced without crippling either of the services.

Uncle Joe Cannon Eighty-Nine

Spent Fifty Years in Congress

THE other day Joseph G. Cannon, known nationally and internationally as "Uncle Joe," celebrated his eighty-ninth birthday contentedly and quietly at his home in Danville, Ill.

Uncle Joe, after spending 50 years in Congress, retired some two years ago, and when he did the cartoonists of America lost their best friend. With the exception of Theodore Roosevelt there has not been a figure in Washington so easy to caricature. The close-cropped white beard and the inevitable black cigar saved cartoonists many hours of toil. The cigar is still Uncle Joe's companion, although he gave it up for a year after retiring. The quality is different, however. He used to smoke stogies in the old days; his dignity requires a fifteen-center now. He finds it goes better with his poker face, which face Uncle Joe often puts to practical use when the boys drop in for a little game.

Joseph Gurney Cannon, as the birth records of Guilford, North Carolina, will attest, was born south of the Mason-Dixon line in 1836. When he was still a small boy his father, who was a country doctor, moved north to Annapolis, Indiana. Joseph worked as clerk in the grocery store while he was reading law, and then he moved to Shelbyville, Indiana. Later he was admitted to the Illinois bar and hung out his shingle at Tuscola, but clients were scarce. Finally he was made state attorney of the Twenty-Fifth Judicial District of Illinois in 1861 and he held the job for seven years. Then, in 1873, he was elected representative to the Forty-third Congress. With the exception of two terms, he held his seat to the time of his retirement. In his early years in Congress he was chairman of the House appropriations committee, and from 1903 to 1911 he was speaker of the House. He received 68 votes for the presidential nomination in the Republican national convention in Chicago in 1908.

Although he will take no active part in politics since he went to live with his son and daughter at Danville, Uncle Joe has plenty to keep him busy. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club and attends the luncheon meetings. He belongs to the Civic Music Association. On Sunday morning he walks to St. James' Methodist Church, and Sundays he drives fifty miles to Annapolis to attend the church he knew as a boy.

Matinee Next Saturday Will Sure Be Frost

Torrance Theatre Will Give Patrons Ice Cream as Serial Opens

Here's a new way to keep cool, folks. Manager Anderson of the Torrance Theatre is going to treat the town to ice cream Saturday afternoon when he starts off that new serial, "The Fighting Ranger." Everyone attending the matinee Saturday will receive a free ticket good for one Frostee Ice Cream Sucker at Dolly's Fountain Grill. "Frostee" is a brand new ice cream delight.



TOM MIX in RIDERS OF THE PURPLE SAGE WILLIAM FOX SPECIAL At the Torrance Theatre Wednesday and Thursday.



Barbara La Marr and Conway Tearle in "The Heart of a Siren" At the Torrance Theatre Sunday and Monday.

Tarkington Play Is On This Week At the Mission

'Mister Antonio' Offered by Charles King Players at Long Beach

"Mister Antonio," the great Booth Tarkington character comedy of small town America, in which Otis Skinner scored his greatest triumph, is being given a wonderful presentation this week at the Mission Theatre, Long Beach, by the Charles King Players, with Dudley Ayres and Rose Ludwig. The play is a wonderful story of the romance of an Italian hard-gurdy player, and at the same time a keen satire in which the author brings into full play his great knowledge of the psychology of the smug small town citizen in an exalted place.

In the title role Dudley Ayres gives the greatest characterization of his Long Beach engagement, and Clarence Wilson as the simple "Joe" gives one of the most remarkable character sketches ever painted on a California stage.

The King Players will make their farewell Long Beach appearance next week, and the play selected for the close of their engagement is "Here Comes the Bride." It is a swift, laugh-compelling farce-comedy which is expected to furnish no end of amusement. It has been tremendously popular in the east, and it is the type of play that Long Beach audiences have proved they like.

Edward Kasal of Redondo Boulevard and Edward Cox of San Pedro were holiday visitors at Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Woods of Sherman were entertained Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Tim Terrell of Weston Street.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Tonkin of Beacon Street were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kemp of Inglewood, whose baby daughter is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Isenhower of Lucile Street and their guest, Mrs. R. H. Hunter, picnicked at Laguna Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Paddock and Mr. and Mrs. John Gates, of Inglewood, were entertained Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Paddock of Narbonne Avenue.

Lomita Theatre Brings Classics For Big Revival

Patrons Name Famous Films To Be Shown Next Week

Friday and Saturday brings a Warner Brothers Classic of the Screen, "Kiss Me Again," with Marie Prevost and Monte Blue, and personally directed by Ernst Lubitch; also a Larry Semon comedy.

Sunday is the beginning of Revival Week, which will run for seven days. The Revival Week films have been chosen by the patrons of the Lomita Theatre, and are being run for their benefit. On Sunday the vaudeville program includes Joe Wirth, the blackface comedian, who has been induced to come here for one day; Marco and Witt, who do comedy talking, singing and dancing, and who have been acclaimed in this month's Vaudeville Journal as future material for big time; and the La Verne Sisters, two young misses in song and dance. With this wonderful bill of vaudeville, Mabel Normand in "Suzanna," a comedy hit, will be shown.

Douglas Fairbanks is booked in "The Mollycoddle" on Monday, together with the Country Store with gifts, gags, fun and adult contest. Tuesday brings Wallace Beery in "Richard the Lion-Hearted."

Wednesday's show is a double feature, with Charlie Chaplin's "The Woman of Paris" and Ben Turpin in "The Shriek of Araby."

Douglas Fairbanks in "His Majesty, the American," will be shown on Thursday.

Friday brings Mary Pickford in "Pollyanna" and a special comedy feature, "The Three Must Get Theirs." It's a wow.

Saturday winds up the Revival Week with D. W. Griffith's production, "Way Down East," with Richard Barthelmess and Lillian Gish in the leads.

Mr. and Mrs. William Boyes Jr., Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Fletcher and Mr. and Mrs. Linden Chandler enjoyed a swim at Redondo Beach, south Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Silverthorn of 25th Street left last week for Bisbee, Ariz. Mrs. Silverthorn will return after a two-weeks visit, while Mr. Silverthorn will remain for three months.

Mission Theatre Long Beach American Avenue. Now Playing—The Charles King Players with Dudley Ayres and Rose Ludwig Present "MISTER ANTONIO" Return Engagement by Popular Request A Splendid Performance of Booth Tarkington's Great Character Comedy Coming Sunday, July 12—"HERE COMES THE BRIDE" A Laugh-Compelling Farce-Comedy Nite Curtain, 8:20-25, 50 & 75c Mats.—Sun., Wed., Sat, 25 & 50c Phone 632-19 for Reservations

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LOMITA THEATRE Phone Lomita 266 FRIDAY—SATURDAY MONTE BLUE "KISS ME AGAIN" MARIE PREVOST ---REVIVAL WEEK--- SUNDAY MABEL NORMAND "SUZANNA" VAUDEVILLE LA VERNE SISTERS MARCO & WITT HARMONY SONG-DANCE "GLOOM CHASERS" "JOB" WIRTH ALABAMA COON MONDAY DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS "MOLLYCODDLE" AND COUNTRY STORE TUESDAY WALLACE BEERY "RICHARD THE LION-HEARTED" WEDNESDAY CHARLIE CHAPLIN—"WOMAN OF PARIS" BEN TURPIN—"SHRIEK OF ARABY" THURSDAY DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS "His Majesty The American" FRIDAY Mary Pickford—"Pollyanna" "3 MUST GET THEIRS" SATURDAY LILLIAN GISH "WAY DOWN EAST"

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